

# GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

## October 24, 2007

The Georgia State Board of Optometry met on Wednesday, October 24, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive Macon Georgia.

**The following Board members were present:**

Kay Royal, President  
R. Whitman Lord

Bill Sharpton  
H. Kemp Jones

Dudley Christie

**Others Present:** Sandy Bond, *Executive Director*, Gwen Dodson, *Administrative Assistant*, Ellen Morris, *Board Secretary*, Adrienne Price, *Legal/Disciplinary Nurse Consultant*, Inez Lockett, *Senior Consultant, Exams*, Craig Fluck, *Senior Consultant, Exams*, Wylencia Monroe, *Assistant Attorney General*, Lynn Eason, *Area Supervisor, Enforcement*

President Royal established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Dr. Sharpton moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. re-1-2(k)(1)(2), 43-1-19(h)(2)&(4), 43-1-2(k)(4) and 50-14-2(1) to discuss Applications, and to receive information from the Cognizant Report, Investigations and the Attorney General's Report. In favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Dudley Christie and R. Whitman Lord. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

**Agenda:**

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to approve the agenda as presented.

**Minutes:**

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to table approval of the August 8, 2007 minutes.

**Executive Director Report:**

Mrs. Bond discussed the following items of interest:

- 2008 Exam Dates
- 2008 Board Meeting Dates
- Continuing Education Online Renewal Forms

**Approval of Exam Meeting Dates:**

Dr. Sharpton moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the Board voted to approve the 2008 Exam dates as follows:

February 19, 2008  
May 21, 2008

July 16, 2008  
November 17, 2008

#### Approval of Board Meeting Dates:

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to approve the proposed 2008 Optometry Board Meeting dates.

DATE	LOCATION
January 11, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State Professional Licensing Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217-3858
April 16, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State Professional Licensing Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217-3858
July 23, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State Professional Licensing Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217-3858
October 22, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State Professional Licensing Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217-3858

#### Approval of Continuing Education Online Form:

Dr. Christie moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the Board voted to change the percentage of licensees selected for CE audit to 8% to include Jurisprudence, provide proof of malpractice insurance and current CPR certification.

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#### Exam Stats-Inez Lockett:

Inez Lockett presented the 2007 Optometry Stats to the Board.

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#### Georgianne Bearden-Visitor:

Ms. Bearden presented ARBO OE Tracker Information to the Board.

#### Adoption of Proposed Rule 430-2-.04 – Continuing Education of Requirements:

Dr. Christie moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the board voted to adopt Proposed Rule 430-2-.04.

Dr. Sharpton moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. re-1-2(k)(1)(2), 43-1-19(h)(2)&(4), 43-1-2(k)(4) and 50-14-2(1) to discuss Applications, and to receive information from the Cognizant Report, Investigations and the Attorney General's Report. In favor of the motion were those present who included Board members H. Kemp Jones and Dudley Christie. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

#### Approval of Continuing Education Hours-SME Workshop March 29, 2007:

Dr. Christie moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the Board voted to table the request to grant 6 (six) hours continuing education units for licensees working at the March 29, 2007 Item Development Workshop, but assume the grand round hours to count as continuing education units. It was recommended that in the future, licensees should be informed that the hours will be considered grand round hours, which will mean 2 hours for one.

#### Correspondence:

##### OPT002324

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to waive 2 years of CE classes and approve licensee's request for deferment of CE requirements.

##### OPT002146

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to send a letter to licensee waving 25% (7 hours) of licensee's CE hours, including Jurisprudence, and allow her until January 31, 2008 to complete the remaining CE credit hours required.

#### JW

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to send a standard letter of no legal advice to individual in response to the e-mail received regarding law questions.

##### OPT000988

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to waive CE requirements requested by licensee for this period of licensure.

#### Biannual Newsletter:

Dr. Royal and Dr. Jones are to draft a biannual newsletter.

#### Enforcement Report:

##### OPT060003

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to refer to Investigations to interview complainant.

##### OPT070024

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to move this case to investigations to coordinate with the appropriate Federal authorities to see what action should be taken, refer to Dental Board, open case on each site involved in the complaint, attempt to collect lenses, and issue Cease and Desist Orders.

**OPT070028**

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to table this case, pending the review of case OPT080011.

**OPT070031**

Dr. Lord moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to refer this case to Investigations for further follow-up and report back to the Board within 60-90 days.

**OPT080011**

Dr. Lord moved, Dr. Christie seconded and the Board voted to refer this case to Investigations to schedule an interview with the owner of the facility.

**Sung Kim**

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to accept the Cease and Desist Order.

**Young Kim**

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to accept the Cease and Desist Order

**Amber Marie Catalfu**

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to accept the Cease and Desist Order.

**Lunicha Teresa Provost**

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to accept the Cease and Desist Order.

**Assistant Attorney General's Report:**

Ms. Monroe reviewed with the Board the status of the two cases for reinstatement and the terms and conditions of their reinstatement.

Ms. Monroe submitted a memo on the procedure of establishing an ophthalmologic technician license.

**Applications:**

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to ratify the following applications for licensure determined to have met licensure requirements issued between August 2007 and September 2007.

<b><u>License #</u></b>	<b><u>Licensee</u></b>	<b><u>Issue Date</u></b>
<b>OPT002410</b>	<b>BENNETT, KRISTIE JEAN</b>	<b>08/01/2007</b>
<b>OPT002411</b>	<b>PAIGE, RICHARD E.</b>	<b>08/01/2007</b>
<b>OPT002412</b>	<b>SABLE, GRACIELA MARIALUISA</b>	<b>08/01/2007</b>
<b>OPT002413</b>	<b>SIVAN, MIRA KALMAN</b>	<b>08/01/2007</b>
<b>OPT002414</b>	<b>SOKOL, TESSA LYNN</b>	<b>08/01/2007</b>
<b>OPT002415</b>	<b>FOWLER, TARA LEIGH</b>	<b>08/09/2007</b>
<b>OPT002416</b>	<b>ANANIA, DOUGLAS A.</b>	<b>08/09/2007</b>
<b>OPT002417</b>	<b>YAZDANPANAH, NOOSHIN</b>	<b>08/09/2007</b>
<b>OPT002418</b>	<b>KNOUFF, ANDREA MICHELLE</b>	<b>08/10/2007</b>
<b>OPT002419</b>	<b>BOLLIN, NICHOLAS ROBERT</b>	<b>08/12/2007</b>

OPT002420	ROBATEAU, AYANA C.	08/16/2007
OPT002421	CARROLL, BRANDY MICHELLE	09/04/2007
OPT002422	BUNICK, ELISSA MEGAN	09/12/2007
OPT002423	BONOMOLO, PATRICIA G.	09/12/2007
OPT002424	BUI PLATTEN, OANH KIM	09/12/2007
OPT002425	DODGENS, KARA JO	09/13/2007
OPT002426	MOHAMMADI, TANAZ	09/18/2007
OPT002427	LORD, MARY ALLISON	09/18/2007
OPT002428	ALEXANDER, LIGY VARKEY	09/20/2007
OPT002429	SMITH, MISTI STAPLETON	09/20/2007
OPT002430	HANEY, JOSHUA M.	09/25/2007

**Georgia Department of Community Health Letter:**

Dr. Christie moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to send a letter to Georgia Department of Community Health referring them to the Optometry website [www.sos.state.ga.us](http://www.sos.state.ga.us) and review rule 430-2-.08.

**Volunteer License:**

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to refer this item to the Attorney General's Office for legal advice to research if the law overrules whether CEU exemption applies to volunteer licenses.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:	Ellen J. Morris, <i>Board Secretary</i>
Minutes reviewed and edited by:	Sandy Bond, <i>Executive Director</i>

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Kay F. Royal, *President*

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Sandy Bond, *Executive Director*

These minutes were approved on